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Sir:

Please kindly enter the following amendments.

**In the claims:**

For the convenience of the Examiner, all claims, whether or not amended, are presented below.

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1. **(Amended)** A method for potentiating morphogen activity, comprising administering to a mammal a composition comprising a molecule that overcomes morphogen inhibition.
2. **(Amended)** A method for promoting neuronal cell growth, comprising administering to a mammal a composition comprising a molecule that overcomes morphogen inhibition, thereby to potentiate growth-promoting effects of endogenous morphogens.